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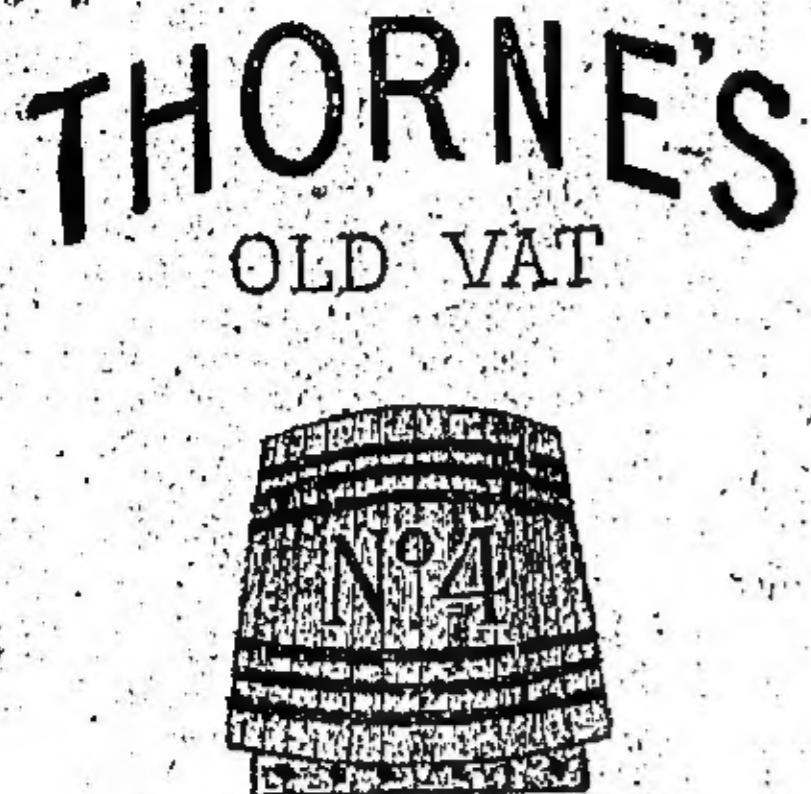
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Intimations.



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SCOTCH WHISKY.

SOLE AGENTS IN
HONG KONG, CHINA & MANILLA.
A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
Hongkong, May 1, 1907.

TAI KWONG CO.,
109, Des Voeux Road Central.
GASOLINE LAMPS
AND
WELSBACK MANTLES.
Hongkong, June 14, 1907.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

NO. 638.—It is hereby notified that information has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:

On MONDAY, the 7th October:—
From Stonemasons, in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 12.15 A.M., and finishing at 2 P.M.

On TUESDAY, the 8th October:—
From Stonemasons, in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 7 A.M., and finishing at 11 P.M.

On THURSDAY, the 10th October:—
From Stonemasons, in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 2 P.M., and finishing at 5 P.M.

On FRIDAY, the 11th October:—
From Stonemasons, in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at 11 P.M.

On MONDAY, the 14th October:—
From Stonemasons, in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

On THURSDAY, the 24th October:—
From Stonemasons, in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

On MONDAY, the 28th October:—
From Stonemasons, in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 8.30 A.M., and finishing at 11 P.M.

On TUESDAY, the 29th October:—
From Stonemasons, in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 8.30 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

On THURSDAY, the 31st October:—
From Stonemasons, in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

If the weather is unfavourable on any of the above days, practice will take place on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

BASIL TAYLOR, Comdr., R.N.,
Harbour Master, etc.

Hongkong, September 28, 1907.

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CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT

SILVER LOAN OF 1886, E.

42ND HALF YEARLY DRAWING.

INTEREST Due and Drawn Bonds of

this LOAN will be payable at the Office

of the Corporation on and after the 30th

September, 1907.

List of Drawn Bonds can be obtained on

application to the Undersigned.

For The HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION.

Agents issuing the Loan,

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 28, 1907.

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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK-

ING CORPORATION.

NOTICE.

INCREASE OF CAPITAL.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that the SECOND and FINAL CALL of

2½ Sterling per Share on the NEW

ISSUE OF SHARES will be payable on

the 1st October next.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking

Corporation.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 28, 1907.

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NOTICE.

ALL Outstanding Claims against THE

SAVOY, LIMITED, must be sent

to the Liquorice No. 13, Queen's Road

Central by the 15th September, 1907.

QUAN HING,
Liquidator.

Hongkong, September 28, 1907.

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1907.

三月三十日

PRICE, 25.00 Per Month

Business Notices.

W. S. BAILEY & CO.

ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS,
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RIVER STEAMERS, TUGS, MOTOR BOATS & LIGHT-DRAFT VESSELS
IN STEEL AND WOOD.

TELEPHONES: 157 and K. 21.

OFFICES: SEYBOURNE, Hongkong.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO
AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.
JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND
MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA
NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

Hongkong-Canton Line.

Mr. HONAM, 2,583 tons Captain S. Bell Smith.
Mr. POWAN, 2,338 tons Captain H. Irwin Black.
Mr. FATHSAN, 2,250 tons Captain C. Lloyd.
Mr. KINSHAN, 1,995 tons Captain B. Branch.
Mr. HEUNGSHAN, 1,998 tons Captain R. D. Thomas.
Departures from Hongkong to Canton daily at 8 a.m. (Sunday Excepted), 10 p.m. (Saturday Excepted).
Departures from Canton to Hongkong daily at 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. (Sunday Excepted).
The S.S. POWAN will leave Hongkong every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 8 p.m. from Queen Street Wharf West, returning from Canton every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 5.30 p.m.

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT
COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong-Macao Line.

Mr. SUI-AN, 1,651 tons Captain W. A. Valentine.
Mr. SUT-TAI, 1,651 tons Captain G. F. Morrison.
Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 8 a.m. from Douglas Wharf and at 2 p.m. from the Company's Wharf. On Sundays Special Cheap Excursions, leaving Hongkong at 9 a.m. from Douglas Wharf and from Macao at 5 p.m.

Departures from Macao to Hongkong on week days at 7.30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

The S.S. SUI-AN and SUI-TAI will not run on SUNDAY next.

Canton-Macao Line.

Mr. LUNG-SHAN, 219 tons Captain W. Reynell.—(At Dock).
Departures from Macao to Canton on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 p.m.
Departures from Canton to Macao on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 5 p.m.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE Indo-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

Canton-Wuchow Line.

Mr. SAINING, 582 tons Captain J. Willor.
Mr. NANNING, 549 tons Captain A. McKinnon.
One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 9 a.m., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 a.m. Round trips take about five days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation, and are lighted throughout by electric light.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

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Or of BUT, ERFIELD and SWIRE,
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SPECIALLY SERVED FOR BUSINESS MEN

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Hongkong, September 2, 1907.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, August 31, 1907.

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Hongkong, September 3, 1907.

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Moderate Terms and NO EXTRA.

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CUISINE under European Supervision. Grills at short notice. Private Bar and

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For particulars, apply to O. F. FRICKS, Manager.

Hongkong, September 24, 1907.

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THE CARLTON HOUSE HOTELS,

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REDUCED SUMMER RATES.

For Daily and Permanent Boarders.

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Intimations.

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G. FALCONER & Co. ARE AGENTS FOR ROSS'S FAMOUS TELESCOPES AND
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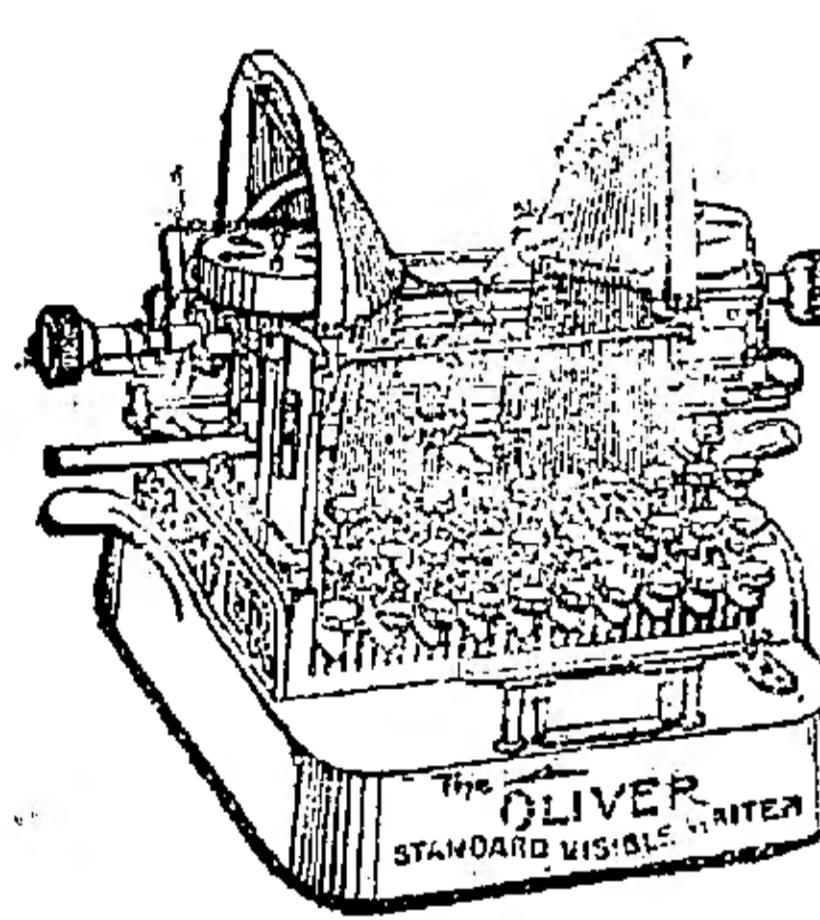
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1, PRINCE'S BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, July 10, 1907.

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PILLS & OINTMENT
Should be in every Home.

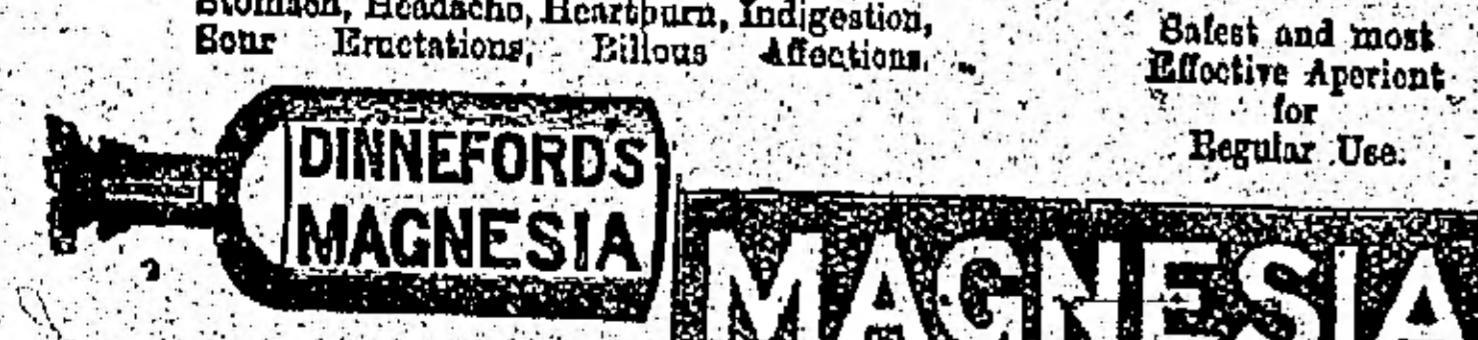
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The Universal Remedy for Acidity of the Stomach, Headache, Heartburn, Indigestion, Sour Eructations, Bilious Attacks.



The Physician's
Cure for Gout,
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Safest and most
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A LUXURIOUS PERFUME
IN HEALTH.

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Far Superior
to the
German Kinds.

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A NECESSARY
RESTORATIVE
IN SICKNESS.

19, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

FURNITURE AND PHOTO GOODS
STORE.

Photographic Goods or Every
Description in Stock.

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Hongkong, August 1, 1907. 1259

Intimations.

**COAL DEPARTMENT**

MARUNO-UCHI, TOKIO.

CABLE ADDRESS : 'IWASAKI'
which applies to all Branch Offices.
AI, ABC 5th Edition, Western Union
Codes used.

All Letters Addressed:-

MANAGER, MITSU BISHI CO.,
with name of place under.
BRANCH OFFICES:-
NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE, KARATSU,
SIANGKAI, HONGKONG AND HANKOW.

AGENCIES:

YOKOHAMA : M. ASADA, Eng.
CHINKIANG : MESSRS GEARING & CO.
MANILA : MESSRS MACDONALD & CO.

SOLE PROPRIETORS of Telesisima,
Ochi, Shimapu, Namacura, and Kami-
Yamada Collieries and also Hojo Colliery,
which will shortly be ready to produce on a
large scale the best Burmese Coal.

The Head and Branch Offices and the
Agencies of the Company will receive any
order for Coals produced from the above
Collieries.

T. MATSUKI, Manager, Hongkong,
No. 2, PEDDER STREET,
Hongkong, April 25, 1906. 816

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON
WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the HONGKONG AND
KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO-
PANY, LIMITED, will be held at Messrs
JARDINE, MATHeson & Co.'s Office, King's
Building, Connaught Road, Hongkong, on
WEDNESDAY, 9th October, 1907, at
12.30 p.m., when the adjoining Resolution
which were passed at the Extraordinary
General Meeting of the Company held on
the 18th day of September, 1907, will be
submitted for confirmation as special Reso-
lutions:-

1.—That the Capital of the Company be
increased from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 by the
creation of 20,000 New Shares of \$50
each.

2.—That such New Shares be issued at
par and be offered to those persons who are
registered as Shareholders of the Company on
1st December, 1907, in the proportion of one
New Share for every complete two
Shares held by them on 1st December,
1907.

Dated the 19th September, 1907.
By Order of the Board,
EDWARD OSBORNE,
1561 Secretary.

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LTD.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ELEVENTH ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING of Share-
holders in the above Company will be held
at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower
Albert Road, Hongkong, on MONDAY,
the 14th October, at 12.30 p.m., for the
purpose of presenting the Report of the
Directors and Statement of Accounts to
31st July, 1907.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from 29th Sept. to
13th October, 1907, both days inclusive.
By Order,
M. MANUK,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, September 21, 1907. 1525

HOW TO DO MORE BUSINESS.

MANY AMERICANS have built up
great commercial enterprises, by the
use of Trade-news items supplied by our
CLIPPING BUREAU: Chinese mer-
chants can do the same if they follow
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We clip business news from more than
50,000 papers monthly, and send these
to you while there is good prospect
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business.

We can send you news and clippings on
any line of business, or any subject, and
you will be able to know, IN TRUTH, just
what American business methods are like,
and where there are openings for Chinese
merchants.

Suppose, for instance, you are a maker
of Pottery: our Clipping Bureau might
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We can do just the same in any line of
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going on that it might pay Chinese
merchants to know.

We can supply you with advertisements
of all the great American merchants and
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their ideas and increase your business
in China the way we do here.

To avoid delay, send ten dollars (Max.)
for one month's trial order. Subsequent
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It won't cost any money to send for our
first Book which tells all about our service
and how much it costs. Send for it to-
day.

Concise references.

INTERNATIONAL PRESS CLIPPING
BUREAU,
DEADERICK STREET, CHICAGO, ILL.,
U.S.A.

Hongkong, September 24, 1907. 1337

161, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL,
Hongkong, March 12, 1906. 522

Order Promptly attended to.

For further particulars apply to

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DEADERICK STREET, CHICAGO, ILL.,

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Hongkong, September 24, 1907. 1337

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Hongkong, July 1, 1907. 1049

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Hongkong, July 1, 1907. 1049

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LABOR, Lahaina.

Hongkong, March 18, 1907. 471

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Hongkong, August 1, 1907. 1223

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THE CHINA MAIL.

Banks

HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS
Sterling £1,000,000
Silver £11,750,000
£21,750,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £10,000,000
PROPRIETORS £10,000,000

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS :—
G. H. M. JONES, Esq.—Chairman.
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Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH.
MANAGER :—
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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 3 per cent per annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS :—
For 3 months 2½ per cent per annum.
" 6 " " 4 " "
" 12 " " 4 " "
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, August 17, 1907. 68

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

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INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, January 12, 1907. 1517

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853,
HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

AD-UP CAPITAL £200,000
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RESERVE FUND £21,070,000
Shortly to be increased to £21,475,000.

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INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2½ per cent on the Daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4½ %
" 6 " " 4 " "
" 3 " " 3 " "

JOHN ARMSTRONG,
Manager,
Hongkong, May 18, 1907. 64

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK.

ESTABLISHED 1880.
CAPITAL PAID-UP Yen 24,000,000
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LILOYANG. MUKDEN. TIE-LING.
CHANG-CHUN.

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

HONGKONG—Interest allowed on Current Account at the rate of 3½ per cent on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS :—

For 12 months 5% per annum.

For 6 months 4% per annum.

For 3 months 3% per annum.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager,

Hongkong, April 6, 1907. 5

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID UP £1,562,500
RESERVE FUND £170,000

BANKERS :—

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 3½ per cent on the Daily Balances.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS :—

For 12 months 4½ %
" 6 " " 3½ " "
" 3 " " 2½ " "

EVAN ORMISTON,
Manager,

Hongkong, May 1, 1907. 45

THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED.

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER).

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL Yen 5,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL Yen 3,750,000.
RESERVE FUND Yen 635,000.

HEAD OFFICE—TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

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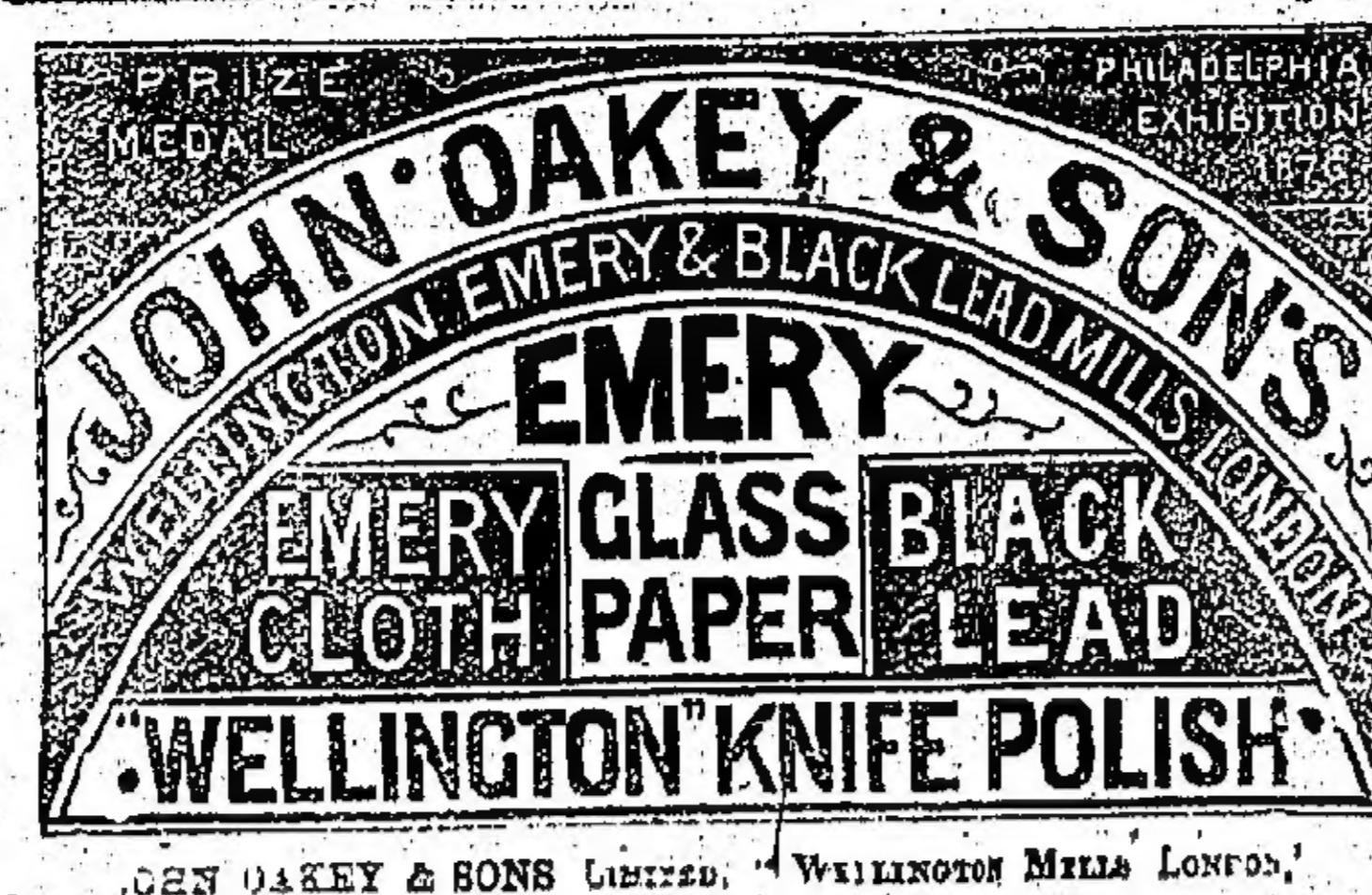
3, Des Voeux Road.
Interest allowed on Current Account.
Deposits received on terms which may be agreed on application.

D. TOHDOW,
Manager,

Hongkong, April 5, 1907. 51

REGULAR HONGKONG-CANTON LINE OF STEAMERS
OF THE
COMPAGNIE FRANCAISE DES INDES ET DE L'EXTREME ORIENT

S.S. PAUL BEAU 1900 tons, 14 knots.
S.S. CHARLES HARDOUIN, 1900 tons, 14 knots.
Departure from Hongkong at 9.30 a.m. (Saturdays excepted).
Departure from Canton at 5.15 p.m. (Sundays excepted).
The Company's Wharf is at the end of WING LOK STREET (From Station).
CANTON AGENTS :—Messrs. E. PAT-QUET & Co.
For further particulars, please apply to BARREITO & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, September 16, 1907. 1475



Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.
HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £269,475
PAID-UP CAPITAL £242,718
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND £12,735
RESERVE FUND £30,000

LONDON BRANCH :—
61, OLD BROAD STREET, E.C.
MANAGER—GEORGE MINO.

LONDON BANKERS :—
Par'st Bank.

Commercial Bank of Scotland.
The Bank grants drafts and telegraphic transfers and conducts every description of Eastern Banking business.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the Rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 month 5 per cent,
" 6 " " 4 " "
" 3 " " 3 " "

G. O. MOXON,
Managing Director,
Hongkong, September 22, 1907. 8

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

FICIAL AGENTS OF THE UNITED STATES IN CHINA, THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS AND THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA.

CAPITAL, PAID-UP Gold \$3,250,000 about Mex. \$5,000,000.
RESERVE FUND Gold \$3,250,000 about Mex. \$5,000,000.

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MEMOS FOR TOMORROW.

Auction.

Noon.—Auction of the Goods & Chattels at Messrs Hughes & Hough's Sales Rooms.

Meeting.

5.15 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Hockey Club at H.K.C.C. Pavilion.

Miscellaneous.

5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital in St. John's Cathedral.

Goods per *Kleid* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

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General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, October 2.—

5.30 p.m.—Auction of Registered British Cruising Yacht *Kakuturna*, at Murray Pier.

FRIDAY, October 4.—

5 p.m.—Auction of Bundry Postage Stamps, at Messrs Hughes & Hough's Sales Rooms.

SUNDAY, October 6.—

Goods per *Ponto* undelivered after 4 p.m. on this date will be handled.

MONDAY, October 7.—

12.15 p.m.—Military Gun Practice.

Goods per *Yunnan* undelivered after this date at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

signers in their midst and to discourage such settlement amongst them by every means in their power. The fact seems to be well-established that the time has come for the Powers to insist upon the Central Government taking more effective steps to put an end to these constantly recurring disorders. As things are every two or three months riots occur somewhere, an interchange of diplomatic despatches takes place and the affair is forgotten. This should not be allowed to continue. Foreigners have certain rights, given them by treaty and they should be able to take the fullest advantage of those rights. China should be made to understand that when the promise is given the performance must follow.

Local journalists are feeling relieved,

the reason being that the press-table in the Supreme Court has been removed.

Not only was the position beside the dock unsuitable by reason of being too far away from the Bench and Bar, and from the electric fuses—quite a consideration during this hot weather—but it was rather close to the prisoners. Should one happen to run amok (not a very remote possibility) the journalists occupying the seat below would make a fine mark for him to practise upon. However, Mr Justice Wise, and Mr Kemp, the Registrar, have now arranged for the journalists to be seated at the solicitor's table, just below the Bench. For this the journalists are thankful.

There was a slight difficulty regarding an interpreter in the Summary Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court today. Two Frenchmen had a dispute over a money transaction and came to the Court to straighten the tangle out.

The defendant was to procure an interpreter, but on entering the Court he informed His Honour Mr A.G. Wise (Puisne Judge) that he had been disappointed—his interpreter had been recalled by his employer and he could not go on with the case. "But you speak English and French?" said His Honour to the defendant's companion, "You can interpret for him." "I don't know French sufficiently," was the response. "We had better go on with the case; see what you can do," responded the Puisne Judge. Thereupon the witness stand was taken by the interpreter and the oath was read out that he would swear he was well acquainted with both English and French. He took the oath, thus swearing under oath, what he would not admit before. "Do the best you can," said the Puisne Judge, and the case went on without any difficulty.

Perhaps there is a danger of being over optimistic in hailing the advent of a single swallow as a sure indication of the approach of summer, but it is better to err in that way than to be unduly pessimistic. On Saturday Mr. H. P. White in moving the adoption of the report and balance sheet of the Douglas Steamship Company said: "It is with gratification that we are able to come before you with a report showing a marked improvement in the year's working." Later on the Chairman said that he was hopeful of a continuance of the improvement in the position of the Company. This is a good reading and will be appreciated by those who have no direct interest in the Douglas Steamship Company. It may be the faint premonition of the silver lining which is soon to relieve the desolating blackness of the cloud of depression which has for so long been casting its sinister shadow over the Colony. At all events we all hope so and in tendering our congratulations to the directors and shareholders of the Douglas Steamship Company we hug the hope that their good fortune is by way of being an omen of what is awaiting behind the veil of the future for all of us.

The *Waiwupu* is with the Board of Communications and the Board of Finance, considering means to redeem the Peking Junkies presented by the Catholic inhabitants of the Philippines, will be deposited on the ancient and beautiful statue of the Blessed Virgin of Rosary, and the imposing ceremony of coronation will be performed by the Delegate of the Pope, assisted by 12 bishops and clergy from the different provinces, to be followed by a solemn procession through the city of Manila.—Contributed.

It is reported at St. Petersburg that

Russia about to spend 37,000,000 rubles

upon the reconstruction of the fortresses of Vladivostok and Nikolayevsk.

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LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Viceroy Tuan Fang intends to establish a big newspaper office in Nanking.

The Empress Dowager seems to have no idea to re-employ Tsun Chun-hsuan.

The Peking Government is to try to obtain the retrocession of Weihaiwei to make the same China's naval base.

Lei Pu-tung, the new Chinese Minister to Vienna, will leave Peking after the Chungking festival, the 15th October.

The Emperor of Korea was much

surprised to hear that the Japanese Crown Prince intended to pay a visit to Korea.

Duke Tai Tsai has asked the Throne

to grant him leave to proceed to England to study Constitutional Government for three years.

China will appoint a Consul General instead of a Commercial Agent at Vladivostok as the affairs there are more complicated than before.

Prince Pu Lin has been ordered to proceed to Japan to pay respects to Mikado and to return the visit of Prince Fusimi, Junior.

Yuan Shih-kai recommends Tsun

Chun-hsuan (late Viceroy at Canton) and Tang Shih-yih as candidates for the Vice-royalty of Manchuria.

As there is a scarcity of rice in Japan the Japanese Minister has asked the Peking Government to allow the export of rice from Human for Japan as a friendly act.

Mr. F. A. Hazlitt took his audience

at the Magistracy to day, having recovered from his recent indisposition.

Mr. Melbourne thereupon went back to the Second Court.

This afternoon a fire broke out in the engine room at the Dutch Petroleum property, at the rear of Mr. A. G. Gordon's engineering establishment. The brigand turned out. The damage was not great.

It is reported that there will be more changes in high officials in Peking and Provinces and it is also reported that there will be changes in the Boards of Communications and of Agriculture, Works and Commerce.

We have received an exceedingly pre-

dicted poster issued in the interests of the second Fisheries' Exhibition of Western Japan and Kyushu. The exhibition is to be held at Nagasaki between October 21 and December 9.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr J. B. Suttor, Commissioner in the East for New South Wales, arrived to-day on his way to Japan.

Sir William Dupre arrived by the Pomm from Colombo. Sir William is on a round

the world tour and goes from here to Japan.

The suit of the Japanese Crown Prince

on his tour to Korea will include Prince

Arisugawa, General Katsura and Admiral Togo.

In a recent issue of the "Independent," a leading American magazine, Rev. G. Boni has an article on "Present Political Conditions in China."

Major and Mrs Stevenson, of the U.S. Medical Corps at Fort McKinley, Philippine Islands, is at present in the Colony on a wedding tour.

Mr Somerset Playne, manager of

Lloyd's Greater Britain Publishing Com-

pany, Limited, compiler and publishers of the well-known "Twentieth Century Impressions" series, arrived by the *Tar-*

to-day from Singapore.

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NEWFOUNDLAND.

Avoiding a Rupture.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay).

London, September 29.

The Newfoundland Government has apparently decided to avoid all conflict with the Imperial Government by reserving Colonials from all local restrictions.

NEW ZEALAND.

Inaugurated a Dominion.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay).

London, September 29.

The inauguration of New Zealand as a Dominion has been celebrated at Wellington by appropriate ceremonies.

MOROCCO.

Nearing the End.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay).

London, September 29.

General Drude reports that there are only six tribes in Morocco now who have not signified their submission.

REUTER'S SERVICE.]

The Sultan's Envoy.

London, September 27. Kid Sid Elarbi, an envoy from the Sultan, has arrived at Casablanca to consult with the French.

Four more tribes have sent delegates to discuss terms of peace.

The market in Casablanca has been re-opened.

CANADA.

The Japanese Treaty.

London, September 27. The Canadian Manufacturers' Association has passed a resolution that it will be disastrous to abrogate the Anglo-Japanese Treaty, which has greatly developed trade between Canada and Japan.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier speaking in Toronto said that British diplomacy in Canadian affairs had been a record of sacrifice to Canadian interests.

In reference to the Japanese treaty, Canada was only just beginning to reap the benefit of it, and denunciation would be an act of panic.

The Government did not propose to denounce it; they needed time to reflect and inquire.

The Premier hinted at the appointment of a Commission, but he was less than ever inclined to annul the treaty in view of the All Red Route project.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in his speech at Toonto, explained that Canada became a party to the Japanese treaty because she thought that Japan had prohibited general emigration, especially towards Canada.

THE ANGLO-RUSSIAN CONVENTION.

London, September 27. Official circles in Berlin state that the Government is friendly to the Convention, the treaty not affecting German commercial interests.

A section of the press also takes his view, but another section considers that the treaty is the coping stone of the building of British evolution policy.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

THE KIANGSI RIOTS.

Another Mission Destroyed.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Shanghai, September 29.

The disturbances in the south of the province of Kiangsi are extending.

Another Protestant mission has been destroyed by the revolutionaries, but the missionaries took refuge in the yamen at Nanking.

The Viceroy has despatched a military force to quell the outbreak.

WOULDN'T HURRY.

It does not always pay to try and make your employee hustled, as was shown yesterday when a Chinaman at Yauma-ti was struck on the leg with a chopper by one of his employers. The coolie was waiting his turn at the water hydrant and, apparently, he did not seem to be in any great hurry; his master requested him to "go more on," or words to that effect. The coolie resented this and, seizing a chopper dashed at his master, inflicting a gash on the leg and severing an artery. The master is not the only "sadder and wiser" man now, for the coolie is doing fifteen days' gaol, being so sentenced by Mr C. D. McLeane.

A DARING ROBBERY.

On Tuesday last Chan Ming was strolling along Hospital Road and sat down to rest by the wayside. It was a lonely spot and Chan Ming was wearing a gold mounted bangle. This evidently excited the cupidity of three coolies who were passing, for on nearing Chan Ming they made a rush at him and soon overpowered him. Snatching the bracelet from his wrist they fled, leaving their victim on the ground. He hastened to the West Point police station and reported the occurrence. Smart work resulted in the arrest of two coolies who were charged at the Magistracy this morning. Mr C. D. Melbourne convicted them both, but let them off with six weeks' imprisonment and four days in the stocks.

THE SANITARY BOARD.

Tomorrow afternoon at the Sanitary Board meeting Mr A. Shelton Hooper, pursuant to notice, will ask:—

(a) How many notices to abate nuisances under Part III of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance have been issued by the Sanitary Department or Sanitary Board Office on the reports of Sanitary Inspectors since the Ordinance came into force.

(b) Whether any, and if so, how many of them have been before the Building Authority.

(c) Whether any of these notices emanating from the Sanitary Department were issued by the direct instigation of the Building Authority or any officer in the office of the Building Authority.

(d) Whether any part of the salaries of the Sanitary Board or Sanitary Department officials who have done any of the above work mentioned in question No. 1 is charged to the Building Authority's Department or charged wholly to the Sanitary Department.

A TENANT'S STORY.

Lost Rent Receipt.

Mr H. Barby explained to the Puisne Judge this morning that he had lost his receipt for July. It was customary in France to keep the last receipt only and no claim could be made for any rent for a period antecedent to the one to which the receipt referred. He had his receipt for August and was being sued by Mr R. Perez for £7, rent and taxes for July.

Mr J. Grist appeared for the plaintiff and explained that defendant rented the top floor of No. 1, Glencally, from the plaintiff. He had not paid rent for July but paid for August and the wrong receipt was given.

When defendant referred to what he termed the "French custom" the Puisne Judge rejoined: "He must do it according to the English custom here. Ask him to pay for July."

Yes, he had paid for July; paid it in advance but could not remember the date.

The Puisne Judge—"You must produce your receipt. Put the plaintiff in the box and let him prove his case."

Plaintiff denied receiving the rent for July and it was pointed out that the receipt for August was written on the same piece of paper as that for July and then cut off. He produced the unsigned July receipt, which had not been paid.

Defendant still maintained that he had paid but, on plaintiff's story being corroborated by plaintiff's wife, the Puisne Judge told defendant that he would have to pay again.

"Ah, oui," said defendant, as he shrugged his shoulders.

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BIRTHDAY OF PORTUGAL'S RULERS.

Birthday Celebrations at Macao.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Macao, September 28.

Well-organised and patriotic celebrations in honour of the 44th and 41st birthday, respectively, of the King and Queen of Portugal, were commenced at an early hour this morning. The King was born in 1863, and the Queen, who is a daughter of the Count of Paris, was born in England in 1866.

At daybreak the local military band played the National Anthem outside the Governor's Palace. As far as I have been able to ascertain, the birthday was celebrated here to an extent unparalleled, on any former occasion. His Excellency Pedro Azevedo Coutinho, assisted by his counsellor and engineer A.D.C., Captain Fonseca Monteiro, was at great pains to celebrate the event with every mark of distinction and consideration. His efforts were magnificently seconded by favourable weather, which showed off the decorations by day and the illuminations by night to the best possible advantage. Business was suspended everywhere, the day being marked as a general holiday. The Oriental and the Macao Hotels, a passing German steamer, the boats in the harbour, and the Praya Grande were gay with varied bunting. Flags waved from many buildings and much interested groups of visitors and of inhabitants thronged the Praya during the cooler parts of the day. At 10 a.m. and while service was being conducted in the Cathedral, a Royal Salute of 21 guns was fired from the fortress.

At the conclusion of the Thanksgiving Service, the Government officials and the civil and military personages hastened to the reception in the Palace. This function barely lasted half-an-hour. At 12 noon, another salute was fired, and then the bustle ceased until sundown.

During the forenoon one of His Britannic Majesty's torpedo boat destroyers conveyed Sir Frederick Lugard, A.D.C. to Macao, but the officers of the destroyer being unable to attend the hall, after a respectful stay, returned to Hongkong.

At night the illuminations were all that could be desired. The Leal Senado, Post Office, Military Barracks, Observatory, and the Government offices were made attractive looking as London theatres. Mr Santos, of the Oriental Hotel, and Captain T. Austin, of the Macao, had their respective buildings beautifully lighted. The latter with 1,000 lamps, the former with 350 lamps, a foot apart, lined the Praya Grande for a distance of about 350 paces. In front of the Palace, but out in the sea, a platform had been projected. At one end, was erected a bunt shelter, and at the other end, remote from the Praya, was built a bamboo tower, 80 feet high, from which at intervals, beginning at 11 p.m. displays of fireworks illuminated the surroundings with much effect.

From 9.30 and onward, rickshaws skinned to and fro. Crowds gathered in front of the Palace, some to see the display of fireworks and others to see the guests going in. The lady-watcher was scrutinising, with outstretched neck, and envying the pretty costumes, and the artful, captivitating head-dress of the members of her own sex, while the would-be or straightforwardly himself forthwith as he beheld the smart full-dress uniforms of friends, and I am sure we all wish him success and joy in the new work he is taking up. Mr Gossell is an American and we feel sure Americans in Hongkong will extend a hearty welcome, and make him at home at once.

Interest in this port is still at a high pitch. There are at the present moment two tournaments on. The first of these is for a Cup presented by Mr Arthur, on his leaving Amoy, to be contested for under the following conditions: Men's Singles (Scratch). To be won three years in succession, when the Cup will be in the winner's possession. The second is for a prize presented by the Bachelor for Mixed Doubles Handicap. This is arousing great enthusiasm. Already there are nearly ten pairs with their names on the list. The trouble in Amoy is, that there are not nearly enough ladies to go round. Hongkong might do worse than export half a dozen for the occasion, and I think we could guarantee their return safe and sound.

SHIPPING.

The Hong Boo arrived yesterday from the Straits with a large number of Chinese passengers. This is the first Hong Boo we have had in for over a fortnight. She has been no doubt delayed somewhat by the sad death of Captain Peter.

DEPARTMENT.

Mr O. Gorrell, of the Tong Wan Institute, leaves us to-day per Haikow for Hongkong, where he is taking up a position in the Standard Oil Co. His departure will be regretted by a large circle of friends, and I am sure we all wish him success and joy in the new work he is taking up. Mr Gorrell is an American and we feel sure Americans in Hongkong will extend a hearty welcome, and make him at home at once.

THE STANDARD OIL COMPANY.

New York, September 23.

It appears from the evidence given at the Standard Oil Inquiry that the Company had exported under secret agreement with independent refiners in violation of the Confidential Contract Laws.

CAREFUL CHINA.

Censoring Postal Matters.

TIENTSIN, September 25.

The Walipu, the Board of Communications, and the Shuiwuchu, fearing the revolutionaries, have instructed Sir Robert Hart to order all the post offices under the Customs to censor all postal matters and also instructed the Vicereys of Chihli and Liangkang to order Customs Taotie to do so.

FIRE IN JAPAN.

Lunatic Asylum in Flames.

On the morning of September 19, a disastrous fire occurred at the Iwakura Asylum, Iwakura village, near Kyoto. The Asylum building, the offices and kitchen were all destroyed, but thanks to the great efforts of the nurses and physicians, none of the inmates were killed. The scene was a terrible one at the commencement of the outbreak, however, the seventy-three lunatics in the Asylum creating an indescribable uproar. Seven or eight of them were missing for a time, but were afterwards found.

It is reported from Takashima, that a fatal fire broke out at Takashima village, Nagoya district, Tokushim Prefecture. Over one hundred and thirty houses were destroyed and several people were injured.

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London, September 27.

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THE TRANS-ATLANTIC RECORD.

London, September 27.

The Lusitania arriving at Queenstown completed the Eastward voyage in 5 days, 4 hours and 19 minutes, beating the Lucania's record, but the Deutschland still holds the speed record.

ly other means being already provided, no great inconvenience was felt. There were 21 items altogether. It was 4 a.m. when the curtain, so to speak, fell on an excellent programme. It was considered thoroughly enjoyable and a very successful end to the birthday celebrations.

HONGKONG RECOGNITION.

Saturday, being the anniversary of the birthday of Their Majesties the King and Queen of Portugal, was celebrated by the Portuguese community in the Colony. Consul-Achille A. G. Romano and Mr J. L. Leiria, Vice-consul, were "At Home" at Duart Arbuthnot Road, during the forenoon and received many callers, including the representative of Sir Frederick Lugard. A strong band was in attendance and gave a varied programme of music. In the evening the members of the Club Lusitano were also "At Home" and the invitations to attend were largely availed of. The hospitality was unbounded and the health of the King and Queen of Portugal was honoured with gusto.

PEKING REFORMS.

Question of a Constitution.

On the 20th September Her Majesty the Empress Dowager received Grand Councillors in audience and asked their views regarding Constitutional Government. Yuan Shih-kai proposed to speedily establish a cabinet system and to appoint a prime minister, while Chang Chih-tung proposed the importance of establishment of a parliament which is the basis of a cabinet.

Yuan Shih-kai's memorandum, consisting of ten items, has now been approved to be carried, but only as to four items; namely, to establish Central Government, to establish Legislative Council, to have experimental local self-government and to have universal education. The item referring to the removal of distinction of Manchus and Chi-

nes is still under consideration.

AMOY NOTES.

(From Our Correspondent.)

AMOY, September 27.

TENNIS.

Interest in this port is still at a high pitch. There are at the present moment two tournaments on. The first of these is for a Cup presented by Mr Arthur, on his leaving Amoy, to be contested for under the following conditions: Men's Singles (Scratch). To be won three years in succession, when the Cup will be in the winner's possession. The second is for a prize presented by the Bachelor for Mixed Doubles Handicap. This is arousing great enthusiasm.

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Amoy, September 27.

INTEREST.

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